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1. HU Tz'u-mei (胡次威) also known as CHANG Ch'ing (長清), who until 1946 was a provincial official in Szechuan, is a fellow provincial and long-time trusted friend of CHEN Yi. HU is now living in Shanghai in retirement. He is still on excellent terms with CHEN, who relies upon HU to a very great extent for advice. HU is acceptable to Communists and to non-Communists.
2. HU is a lawyer who received his training in Japan. At one time he was a professor at the Central Political Institute in Nanking, a Kuomintang indoctrination school.
3. As commissioner for Civil Affairs in Szechuan and Hunan, HU was instrumental in making arrangements for the supply of labor and materials for the construction of airfields for the United States during the war. His final post in the Nationalist Government was Vice Minister of the Interior.

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